

DIVISION I

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

PART 101 – SCOPE AND LOCATION

- 101.1 The location of the project is in or near the City of Tulsa, Oklahoma. The character and exact location of the project are shown on the Drawings on file in the office of the City Auditor. Said Drawings clearly show the general work involved but are not intended to show all details of the work.
- 101.2 The site and/or rights-of-way upon which the work is to be performed is shown on the Drawings. The Contractor agrees that the site and/or rights-of-way provided is adequate for the performance of the work. If any additional working area is required, the Contractor shall, at his expense, make arrangements for such working area. The City will not be liable for additional compensation as a result of any delay in obtaining rights-of-way.

PART 102 – SCOPE, NATURE, AND INTENT OF SPECIFICATIONS AND DRAWINGS

- 102.1 The Specifications and Drawings are intended to supplement, but not necessarily duplicate each other; and together constitute one complete set of Specifications and Drawings, so that any work exhibited in the one and not in the other shall be executed just as if it had been set forth in both, in order that the work shall be completed according to the complete design or designs as decided and determined by the Engineer.
- 102.2 The Drawings are not intended to be scaled for dimensions, and if dimensions not shown on the Drawings are required, the Contractor shall request them from the Engineer. Where existing utility lines or other sub-surface obstructions are shown on the Drawings, the same have been located as nearly as practicable from information furnished by owners of such, and from such surface indications as may exist at the work site. Such obstructions are shown for the purpose of advising the Contractor that they may interfere with the work to be done hereunder, but not for the purpose of indicating that the work can be performed without such interference.
- 102.3 Where soundings are shown on the drawings, the depths are determined by driving a drill rod, using the churn method with water lubrication, to a maximum depth of 9' or to refusal, whichever is lesser in depth. By showing soundings on the drawings, the City represents only that material of hardness and character which could be penetrated by a drill rod found above the depth of sounding as shown at the point where the drill rod was driven.
- 102.4 Where exploratory drilling is indicated to have been performed on the plans, boring logs will be available for review at the office of the Engineer. The logs will be furnished for information purposes only and are not to be construed as a true representation of actual subsurface conditions.

- 102.5 Should anything be omitted from the Specifications and Drawings which is necessary to a clear understanding of the work, or should it appear various instructions are in conflict, the Contractor shall request written instructions from the Engineer before proceeding with the construction affected by such omissions or discrepancies.
- 102.6 The Contractor's responsibility for construction covered by conflicting requirements, not provided for by addendums prior to the time of opening bids for the work represented thereby, shall not extend beyond the construction in conformity with the cheaper of the said conflicting requirements. Any increase in cost of work requested to be done in excess of the cheaper of the conflicting requirements will be paid for as Extra Work as provided for herein.

PART 103 – LINES AND GRADES

- 103.1 All work done under this Contract shall be done to the lines, grades, and elevations shown on the Drawings. All lines and grades shall be furnished by the Engineer, but the Contractor shall provide all batter boards, straight edges, and other materials for lines, levels, and measurements; and shall set all batter boards under direction of the Engineer. The Contractor shall give the Engineer at least 48 hours' notice as to the location where stakes are required.

PART 104 – SATURDAY, SUNDAY, HOLIDAY, AND NIGHT WORK

- 104.1 No work shall be done between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m., nor on Saturday, Sunday, or legal holidays without the written approval or permission of the Engineer in each case, except such work as may be necessary for the proper care, maintenance, and protection of work already done, or of equipment, or in the case of an emergency.

PART 105 – PROTECTION OF PROPERTY

- 105.1 The protection of City, State and Government monuments, street signs, and other City property is of prime importance, and if the same be damaged, destroyed, or removed, they shall be repaired, replaced, or paid for by the Contractor. Disturbance to this property must first be approved by the agency that controls it.
- 105.2 No valve or other control on any utility main or building service line shall be operated for any purpose by the Contractor without written approval or permission of the Engineer in each case.
- 105.3 At places where the Contractor's operations are adjacent to, or crossing, the path of railway, telegraph, telephone, cable, electric, and gas lines, or water lines, sanitary sewers, and storm sewers, damage to which might result in expense, loss or inconvenience, work shall not be commenced until all arrangements necessary for the protection thereof have been made. Contractor shall notify the Notification Center of

Oklahoma One-Call System, Inc. of any excavation or demolition prior to the commencement of such work. Notification shall be made no sooner than ten days, nor later than 48 hours prior to start of work, excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays.

105.4

The City has attempted to locate all storm sewers, culverts, buried telephone or electrical conduits, sanitary sewers, water mains, and gas mains that might interfere with the construction of this project. The Contractor shall cooperate with the owners of any underground or overhead utility lines in their removal and rearrangement operations in order that these operations may progress in a reasonable manner and duplication or rearrangement work may be reduced to a minimum, and that services rendered by those parties will not be unnecessarily interrupted. The revision and crossings of the various types of lines shall be made as follows:

- A) Storm sewers and culverts may be removed at the time of crossing or may be adequately braced and held in position while the pipe is placed beneath them. If the storm sewer or culvert is removed, it shall be replaced with pipe of the same type and size as that removed, and it shall be re-joined to the undisturbed line with a joint satisfactory to the Engineer. Backfill over the main, up to and around the storm sewer, shall be thoroughly compacted in order that no settlement will occur. The revision and crossing shown on the Drawing shall be at the expense of the Contractor. In the event lines, other than those shown on the Drawings, are encountered and fall within the standard trench limit and, in the opinion of the Engineer, revision of the line is necessary for the construction of the project, the Contractor will be reimbursed for the extra cost of the crossing or revision under the "Extra Work" clause of the Contract.
- B) All overhead and buried telephone cable and electrical conduits, and gas mains to be revised or crossed by the construction of this project shall be protected in accordance with the directions of the utility company owning the conduits and/or mains. The Contractor shall notify the companies and obtain their permission before making any crossing or revisions. The revision and crossing shown on the Drawing shall be at the expense of the Contractor. In the event lines other than those shown on the Drawing are encountered and fall within the standard trench limit and, in the opinion of the Engineer, revision of the line is necessary for the construction of the project, the Contractor will be reimbursed for the extra cost of the crossings or revision under the "Extra Work" clause of the Contract. Any overhead cables or buried cables or conduits or gas mains damaged by the Contractor shall be repaired at his expense to the satisfaction of the Engineer and of the owner.
- C) The Contractor shall not remove any water or sanitary sewer lines except as directed by the Engineer or as required by the Drawings and Specifications and shall adequately brace and protect them from any damage during construction. Any existing water main or sewer main or lateral damaged by the Contractor's operation will be repaired by the City's maintenance forces. The Contractor shall notify the City immediately after damaging any pipe. The repairs will be made at the Contractor's expense.

- 105.5 The location of utility service lines serving individual properties may or may not be shown on the Drawings, but the Contractor shall assume that such service lines exist whether or not they are shown on the Drawings, and it shall be the responsibility of the Contractor to make any necessary changes in the line and/or grade of such services, or to secure the necessary changes therein to be made by the particular utility company involved or other owner thereof, or by an agent or individual contractor approved by such utility company or other owner. Contractor shall pay the cost of all such revisions whether performed by contractor, the utility company, or other owner, or an approved contractor. In the event of interruption of a utility service as a result of accidental breakage, Contractor shall promptly notify the Engineer and the owner of the utility, and shall repair or cause the same to be repaired, in the same manner as necessary changes above provided for, and the Contractor shall do all things necessary to see to the restoration of services as promptly as may be reasonably done. All sanitary sewer service lines damaged shall be replaced with cast iron pipe, regardless of type or kind damaged.
- 105.6 In the event the Contractor in any way fails to comply with the requirements of protecting, repairing, and restoring of any utility or utility service, the Engineer may, upon 48 hours' written notice, proceed to protect, repair, rebuild or otherwise restore such utility or utility service as may be deemed necessary, and the cost thereof will be deducted from any money due or which may become due the Contractor pursuant to the terms of his contract.

PART 106 – CONNECTIONS

- 106.1 All connections to existing water mains shall be made by the Contractor, unless noted otherwise. The Contractor shall perform his work so that these connections may be readily made. All transfer of building service line connections from the existing to the new main shall be made by the Contractor after the main has been backfilled, tested, and chlorinated, but before any sidewalks, driveways, curbs, and/or paved roadways, are replaced.
- 106.2 The Contractor shall not make any unauthorized connections to a sewer, nor shall he permit any such connections to be made. If the Contractor is properly authorized by the Engineer to make connections by installing tees in the sewer under construction, such installation shall conform to the regulation of the City.

PART 107 – REFERENCES TO OTHER SPECIFICATIONS

- 107.1 Where a standard such as American Society for Testing Materials, American Concrete Institute, American Standards Association, American Water Works Association, or other agency designation is specified for a material, that designation shall be the current revision, either tentative or adopted. If a referenced specification is in conflict with these specifications, the City of Tulsa specifications shall govern.

PART 108 – PROTECTION OF MATERIALS

- 108.1 All materials delivered to the site of the work shall be adequately housed and protected against deterioration according to the standard accepted procedures. The Contractor shall keep his storage yards in good order, pile his materials neatly, and protect them from damage.

PART 109 – TESTING

- 109.1 **Materials:** All materials required to be tested shall be tested by a laboratory of good reputation, previously approved by the City. No material shall be accepted for construction unless it bears the approval of the laboratory. Reports of tests shall be forwarded to the City. Before final acceptance of the project, all materials shall be tested and shall be found in good and proper condition or shall be placed in such condition.
- 109.2 **Testing of Manholes:** All manholes will be tested using the vacuum test method, following the manufacturer's recommendations for proper and safe procedures. The vacuum tester shall be as manufactured by Cherne Industries or equal.

All pipes for vacuum testing entering the manhole shall be installed at the top access point of the manhole.

A vacuum of 10" of mercury (Hg) (5.0 psi) shall be drawn on the manhole and the time shall be measured for the vacuum to drop to 9" of mercury (Hg) (4.5 psi). The manhole shall pass the test if the time measurement exceeds the values indicated in the following table:

Vacuum Test Timetable
Manhole Diameter – Inches

Depth-Feet	48 Inches	60 Inches	72 Inches	96 Inches	144 Inches
4	10 sec.	13 sec.	16 sec.	19 sec.	21 sec.
8	20 sec.	26 sec.	32 sec.	38 sec.	44 sec.
12	30 sec.	39 sec.	48 sec.	57 sec.	65 sec.
16	40 sec.	52 sec.	64 sec.	76 sec.	88 sec.
20	50 sec.	65 sec.	80 sec.	95 sec.	110 sec.
24	60 sec.	78 sec.	96 sec.	114 sec.	132 sec.
+ Each 2'	+5.0 sec.	+6.5 sec.	+8.0 sec.	+9.5 sec.	+11.0 sec.

Manhole depth shall be rounded to the nearest foot. Intermediate values shall be interpolated. For depths above 24', add the values listed on the last line of the table for each 2' of additional depth.

If the manhole fails the vacuum test, the contractor shall perform additional repairs and repeat the test procedures until satisfactory results are obtained.

All repairs and testing are the responsibility of the Contractor and will be performed at no additional cost to the City.

No payment will be made for any manholes which have not passed the vacuum test.

- 109.3 Testing and Chlorinating Water Mains: Testing and chlorinating water mains will be performed by the City, but the Contractor shall lend such assistance as may be required. Water mains shall be testing in accordance with the Standard Specifications for "Installation of Ductile Iron Water Mains and Their Appurtenances," AWWA Designation C600. The pressure test of 150 psi shall be for thirty minutes' duration. If the line passes the test without significant pressure drop, a leakage test shall be made at the normal operating pressures under which the line is to operate for two hours' duration. Before being placed in service, all mains shall be chlorinated in accordance with "AWWA Standard for Disinfecting Water Mains," AWWA Designation C651. Where temporary plugs are required for pressure testing, the contractor shall furnish and install the plug and temporary blocking and remove after testing is complete. The cost shall be included in the unit price bid for pipe. No additional payment will be made.

PART 110 – “OR APPROVED EQUAL” CLAUSE

- 110.1 When a material is specified or shown on the Drawings by brand or manufacturer's name, any other material that will adequately perform the same function, in the opinion of the City, may be accepted for use.

PART 111 – DEWATERING

- 111.1 The Contractor shall provide all necessary pumps, drains, dams, well points, and other means for removing water from, or preventing water from entering the trench or other excavation until the project is completed. Sufficient pumps or other works shall be made available at all times to hold the water at a safe level as determined by the Engineer. Water from the excavation shall be properly disposed of so that no damage or interference results to public health, public or private property, completed or uncompleted work, other projects, or streets.

PART 112 – SAFETY

- 112.1 Excavations: The Contractor shall adequately shore, or sheet, and brace the excavation, or shall slope the sides of the trench in accordance with the State of Oklahoma Department of Labor requirements, and all other applicable requirements.
- 112.2 Explosives: In handling explosives used during the construction of the project, the Contractor shall adhere to all Federal and State Laws and City Ordinances regulating

the purchase, transportation, storage, handling, and use of such explosives. All blasting shall be done in strict accordance with City Ordinance #19947. No blasting shall be done without obtaining a "Blasting Permit" from the City and presence of the Inspector. All equipment, tools, and materials used shall be of the correct type and in good conditions for the operation. The Contractor shall take all necessary precautions to avoid damage to property resulting from the transportation, storage, handling and use of explosives. Before blasting, the Contractor shall cover the area to be blasted with steel mesh mat or other suitable material, reinforced with timbers of sufficient weight so that rock and debris will be confined to the excavation. Any blasting within 10' of a water, sewer, pipe, or gas line shall be done with very light charges, and utmost care should be taken to avoid disturbance to these lines. All locations for blasting shall be subject to approval of the Engineer.

- 112.3 **Danger Signals and Protection:** When the Contractor is performing any type of construction or excavation work, or is stockpiling or storing any materials or equipment upon or adjacent to any street, alley, sidewalk, residence, public ground, or other location that is likely to be subject to pedestrian or vehicular traffic, he shall furnish, erect, and maintain substantial guard rails, safety fencing, lights, and traffic control devices around the project to protect pedestrians, animals, and vehicles from injury or damage. All traffic control shall be in accordance with the City of Tulsa Traffic Engineering Division's Standards and Procedures for Street Use and Temporary Traffic Control. Safety and traffic control devices shall be installed and removed only at the direction of the Engineer. The Contractor shall provide sufficient proper signals and flagmen for warning during construction, excavation, and blasting operations.
- 112.4 **Power Lines:** No person, materials, or equipment shall come within 6' of any power line carrying more than 440 volts unless the electric power services have been first discontinued.
- 112.5 **Fire Prevention and Protection:** The Contractor shall take all necessary measures to prevent fire and shall provide satisfactory firefighting means at the location of work.
- 112.6 **Interference with Traffic:** The Contractor shall construct and maintain adequate and safe bridges or crosswalks over excavations, where required. When a roadway or sidewalk is not closed, the Contractor shall provide a safe substitute route for any portion obstructed by his operations. If a roadway or sidewalk is closed to traffic, the Contractor shall provide and mark detours. As directed by the Engineer, construction across roadways or sidewalks may be done by open excavation.
- 112.7 **Condition of Equipment and Materials:** All equipment, tools, appliances, and materials used in connection with the project shall be handled and operated only when they are in safe operating condition and in accordance with a standard safety procedure.

PART 113 – REMOVAL OF CONDEMNED MATERIALS AND STRUCTURES

- 113.1 The Contractor shall remove from the site of the work, without delay, all rejected and condemned materials or structures of any kind brought to or incorporated in the work.

Upon his failure to do so, or to make satisfactory progress in so doing, within 48 hours after the service of a written notice from the Engineer ordering such removal, the condemned material or structure may be removed by the City and the cost of such removal will be taken out of the money that may be due or may become due the Contractor. No such rejected or condemned material shall again be offered for use by the Contractor.

PART 114 – REMOVAL AND SALVAGE OF CASTINGS

- 114.1 All water, sanitary sewer, and storm sewer manhole castings, lids, frames, curb hoods, grates, hydrants, valves, and other fittings removed as part of any construction project are property of the City of Tulsa. Contractor will not take ownership.
- 114.2 All storm sewer and sanitary sewer castings shall be salvaged and delivered by the contractor to the Underground Collections North Sewer Base Stockyard at 9319 East 42nd Street North. Contractor will coordinate the return of such items with the Stockyard personnel at 918.669.6130.
- 114.3 All hydrants, valves, and other fittings from abandoned water mains shall be salvaged and delivered by the contractor to the South Yard at 2317 South Jackson Avenue. Contractor will coordinate the return of such items with the South Yard personnel at 918.596.9401.

PART 115 – CLEAN-UP

- 115.1 Immediately upon installation of any portion of the work, the Contractor shall restore all fills, topsoil, and utilities to their location and condition prior to construction.
- 115.2 Immediately upon installation of any block in length of the work herein contemplated, the Contractor shall remove all materials, tools, debris, excess excavated material, and equipment; and restore the site in a manner satisfactory to the Engineer.
- 115.3 Clean-up and restoration of service line transfers shall be made immediately following each transfer installation.

PART 116 – PLACING WORK IN SERVICE

- 116.1 If desired by the City, portions of the work may be placed in service when completed and the Contractor shall give prior access to the work for this purpose, but such use and operation shall not constitute an acceptance of the work.

PART 117 – SUBMITTALS

- 117.1 The Contractor shall submit to the Engineer, six copies of material submittals for all material he proposes to use. Construction shall not begin until the Engineer has approved the submittals in writing.
- 117.2 Submittals for pipe shall consist of notarized certifications, from the manufacturer, that the pipe was manufactured and tested in accordance with the applicable specifications. The certifications shall indicate the pipe diameter, the pressure rating, and the batch number from which the pipe was manufactured. For concrete and steel pipelines 16” and larger, a detailed laying schedule prepared by the manufacturer shall be submitted, along with the detail design calculations.
- 117.3 Submittals for material other than pipe shall consist of manufacturer’s product literature or shop drawings, indicating dimensions and material specifications. Submittals shall include reference to compliance with AWWA, ASTM, NSF, and other applicable standards.
- 117.4 All delivery tickets, including factory certification of ductile iron pipe, shall be surrendered to City Inspector or their representative.

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